

Master of Science in Political Science (M.S.)

General Cognate

2019-2020 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COURSES (21 hours)		<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	Grade
PPOG 502	Economics & Public Policy	3		
PPOG 503	Political Philosophy	3		
PPOG 506	Introduction to Geopolitics & International Diplomacy	3		
PPOL 505	Applied Public Policy Research Methods	3		
PSCI 501	Political Science, Public Policy & Statesmanship	3		
PSCI 600	Comparative Politics	3		
PSCI 610	Contemporary Political Process & Trends	3		
	COGNATE (9 hours) ¹	3 3 3		
THESIS OR	ELECTIVE COURSES (6 hours) ^{1, 2}			
PSCI 689	Thesis Proposal & Research ³	3		
PSCI 690	Thesis Defense ⁴	3		
	TOTAL HOURS	36		

Graduation Requirements

Complete 36 hours

A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

3.0 GPA

No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-) No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-) Degree must be completed within 5 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format

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Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Choose from the following courses: Any 500-600 level course offered by the Helms School of Government. Other 500-600 level courses will be considered on a case-by-case basis

²Students may take two elective courses¹ instead of PSCI 689 & 690

³While PSCI 689 may be taken more than once, only one enrollment in the course will be permitted to count toward degree requirements

⁴Any thesis student who is not ready for enrollment in PSCI 690 after completing PSCI 689 may be required, as determined by the student's thesis chair, to repeat PSCI 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in PSCI 690

Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page

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SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester		Second Semester	
PSCI 501 [B Term]	3	PPOG 502 [B Term]	3
PPOG 506 [B Term]	3	PPOG 503 [B Term]	3
PPOL 505 [D Term]	<u>3</u>	Elective ¹ [D Term]	3
Total	9	Total	9
Third Semester		Fourth Semester	
PSCI 600 [B Term]	3	PSCI 610 [B Term]	3
Elective ¹ [B Term]	3	Elective ¹ [B Term]	3
PSCI 689 ² or Elective ^{1, 2, 3, 4} [D Term]	<u>3</u>	PSCI 690 ⁴ or Elective ^{1, 2, 3, 4} [D Term]	
Total	9	Total	9

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